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SUBJECT:CHARLES WOODWARD FUNDS

VIENNA: PLEASE PASS TO CONSULATE SALZBURG

1. AT REQUEST WOODWARD, CONSUL QUINLAN EN ROUTE WASHINGTON TELEPHONED VICE PRESIDENT ARRIFLEX CORPORATION NEW YORK TO ENQUIRE STATUS OF FUNDS WHICH WOODWARD HAD REQUESTED ARRIFLEX TO FORWARD AMERICAN EXPRESS SALZBURG FOR WOODWARD ACCOUNT. ARRIFLEX EXECUTIVE HAHNEMAN REPLIED HE HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY COMMUNICATION FROM WOODWARD BUT WAS HOLDING \$2300 IN WOODWARD ACCOUNT AND ON BASIS THIS TELEPHONE DISCUSSION WOULD PROCEED DEPOSIT \$2300 (LESS \$150 STORAGE CHARGES) IN AMERICAN EXPRESS FOR FORWARDING TO SALZBURG. ARRIFLEX REQUESTED WOODWARD EITHER FORWARD INSTRUCTIONS RE DISPOSITION WOODWARD'S SUITCASES IN STORAGE WITH ARRIFLEX OR AT LEAST SEND ARRIFLEX RELEASE OF RESPONSIBILITY IN CASE OF LOSS OR DAMAGE TO SUITCASES.

2. COMMENT. WOODWARD HAD INITIALLY ASKED QUINLAN TO ASSUME CUSTODY OF FUNDS ON GROUNDS, PERHAPS LEGITIMATE, THAT AUSTRIAN AUTHORITIES MIGHT LEARN OF EXISTENCE HIS FUNDS ON DEPOSIT WITH AMERICAN EXPRESS AND SEIZE TO COMPENSATE
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AUSTRIAN INSURANCE COMPANY WHICH WOODWARD WAS CONVICTED OF

OF DEFRAUDING. SINCE WOODWARDS PROBABLY HAVE GENUINE
NEED THESE FUNDS FOR COMMISSARY PURCHASES TO SUPPLEMENT
PRISON DIET OVER REMAINING 18 MONTHS THEIR TERM, SUGGEST
CONSULATE SEEK MEANS SAFEGUARDING WOODWARD FUNDS WITH
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